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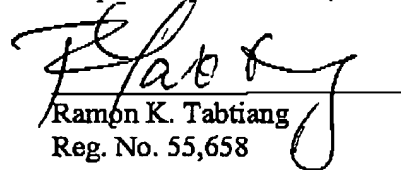
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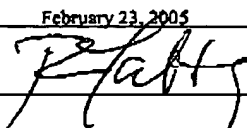
The Applicants thank the Examiner for the brief telephonic discussion, held today, regarding the sequence listing and the Communication dated February 11, 2005. The Communication suggests that the sequence listing fails to list the application serial number and parent applications. The current sequence listing for this application is dated November 4, 2002. The listing does provide the application serial number in field <140> and the application filing date in field <141> on page 1. There are no prior applications for this application. Accordingly, no correction to the sequence listing is required.

In today's telephonic discussion, the Examiner agreed and indicated that the Communication was sent in error since, according to the Examiner, a child application for this application was incorrectly listed in PAIR as its parent.

Applicants respectfully request that this application's status be updated in the Office's systems to reflect that the sequence listing, as previously entered, is correct, and request that any remaining issues be expeditiously addressed so that the application may be advanced to issue.

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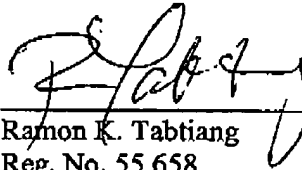
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